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Menominee Tribe joins Winnebago Citizens Sturgeon Advisory Committee preceding the October Sturgeon release event in Keshena.

(Keshena, WI) - Representatives from the Menominee Indian Tribe will officially join Winnebago Citizens Sturgeon Advisory Committee (SAC) on Saturday, October 22, 2011 during the first SAC meeting to be held above Lake Winnebago at the Menominee Casino Convention Center, Keshena WI. Jonathon Pyatskowit, Environmental Services and Chairman of the Conservation Commission and Don Reiter, MITW Fisheries Biologist, were nominated as representatives from the Tribe. Both men also serve on the Tribes' Lake Sturgeon Taskforce, which was created by the Tribal Legislature in a concerted effort to address the needs of Menominee cultural and resource protection of the Sturgeon.

Pyatskowit and Reiter's admittance to the Sturgeon Advisory Committee precede the Sturgeon Capture, Tag, and Release event on Saturday October 22, 2011 at Chickeney Creek in Keshena WI. The Sturgeon Release event will begin at 8:30 a.m. and is open to the public for observation. Following this event, the SAC members will tour the Reservation and convene for their meeting at the Menominee Convention Center at 12:00 p.m.

This marks another significant moment in the Tribes history as we continue on the forefront of Natural Resources Protection, management, and a return of tradition and culture. This is the first time the Tribe will have active representation on this advisory committee. The Winnebago Citizens Sturgeon Advisory Committee serves in an advisory capacity to Wisconsin's Department of Natural Resources on sturgeon regulation and management. The SAC is comprised of members from the Lake Winnebago area.

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